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Reds Tighten Grip On 'Dunkirked' Nazis

Deep Snow Impedes German Retreat On Kursk–Orel Battle Area

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Morning despatch from Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow says: Three Red armies tightened their grip on Rostov on Thursday as the remnants of Hitler's Caucasian forces of 300,000 men faced an attempted "Dunkirk" across the straits to the Crimea.

Marshal Von List's forces have been forced back to two narrow bridgeheads below Rostov and the Taman Peninsula against the Kerch Straits.

DEEP SNOW IMPEDES NAZI RETREAT

Deep snow is now impeding the German forces falling back in the Kursk-Orel battle area. Motor columns with hundreds of lorries are snowed up.

Gen. Yeremoenko's troops have stormed their way into a large town south of Rostov. A Soviet tank detachment has already reached the centre of the town.

In their continued advance on Rostov from the south, Soviet troops wiped out a battalion of enemy infantry and destroyed ten tanks near Kushchevskaya. Kushchevskaya is the key railway junction, 40 miles from the sea of Azov, through which all branch lines from the Kuban run north to Rostov, 40 miles to the north

GERMAN BASES THREATENED

In another battle south of Rostov, Soviet troops wiped out 100 counter-attacking German tommy-gunners and destroyed two more tanks. The Red Army has captured six inhabited localities in the area of Krasnyliman, the Ukrainean key town and railway junction, 70 miles north-west of Voroshilovgrad.

Already after piercing the main German winterline for the first time since the Soviet offensives were launched, the Russians are threatening to outflank two great German bases at Kursk and Orel.

The stage has been set for a grand military debacle.

ONSLAUGHT ON OREL

Soviet troops are still advancing after straddling the main Kharkov-Moscow railway at Zolotukhino and Vozy, both between 25 to 30 miles north of Kursk. Orel is now faced with a formidable onslaught by General Golikov's army.

It was on the Orel-Briansk sector of the Moscow front that Hitler massed big German forces, which he earmarked for a new onslaught on Moscow, when he had taken Stalingrad. Stalin disclosed this in his statement on November 6 but now tables are utterly turned.

LIBERATION OF UKRAINE

"The Pravda" said to-day: "The liberation of the Ukrajne has begun. Letters sent by German troops are like cries of a people who have lost all hope and faith."

SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

The Supplement to the Moscow Midday 'communique' said: "South of Rostov our troops continued advance. Near the inhabited locality of Kushchevskaya our troops wiped out one battalion of enemy infantry and destroyed ten tanks. In the Krasny Liman area our troops continued their offensive and one unit captured six inhabited localities. In the battle for one of these, 600 enemy were wiped out, four tanks disabled and several guns captured.

West of Voronezh one of the Soviet units dislodged the enemy from an inhabited locality when substantial booty was captured."

REDS RETAKE THREE BIG TOWNS

A Soviet special 'communique' last night said: "On February 3 our troops in the area north of Kursk occupied the Railway stations of Zolotukhino and Vozz, thus cutting the Railway line between Kursk and Orel.

In the Ukraine our troops occupied the town and large Railway junction of Krasny-Liman as well as the town and large Railway junction of Kupyansk

South of Rostov our troops after an impetuous attack occupied the town and large Railway junction of Kushchevskaya."

LENIN'S BUST TARRED

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The Lenin memorial bust in Holford Square, Finsbury, London was found after dark last night to have been damaged and smeared with tar.

The Police are making enquiries.

M. Maisky unveiled the memorial in April 1942. It faces the house wherein Lenin lived.

NAZIS OUT FOR TOTAL MOBILISATION

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The German Radio announced the new austerity decrees promised by Dr. Goebbels. They were issued in the form of orders by the German Minister of Economic Affairs for the closing down of the list of non-essential businesses and involve a "total mobilisation of national strength.' The food trade, coal trade and trade with seeds, fodder and manure as well as agricultural trading are excepted but shops selling luxury articles, porcelain, jewels, gold and silver goods, and even sweets "which cannot be justified" will close down. All amusement places, night-clubs, bars and luxury restaurants are also included.—Reuter.

LAHORE: The police raided three shops in the Gowalmandi area and made four arrests in connection with the alleged discovery of about 3.000 small coins including 2,000 pice.

JAPS DIG IN IN BURMA?

NEW DELHI, Feb. 4.

In the Arakan, our pressure against Japanese positions at Kathedaung and Donbaik is being maintained says an India Command joint war communique. The enemy is well dug in and is putting up stubborn resistance.

In support of our land forces R.A.F. 'Blenheims' escorted by fighters bombed Rathedaung yesterday morning (February 3) and again in the afternoon. In the course of offensive patrols elsewhere a combat took place over the Mayu peninsula between four 'Hurricanes' and six Japanese fighters. One enemy aircraft was damaged.

Last night 'Wellington' bombers attacked Akyab and enemy occupied villages in the district. Bombs were seen to burst in all target areas and a number of fires were started. None of our aircraft, is missing.

Jap Bombers Attack

Yesterday afternoon four enemy bombers with fighter escort attacked a place about 20 miles south-east of Cox's Bazar. Slight damage was caused but no casualties have been reported.—A. P.

JAP 'DANGER IN PACIFIC NOT YET PAST'

WELLINGTON: The Prime Minister Mr. Peter Fraser speaking at Christchurch stated that the danger in the Pacific was not past. "Mr. Curtin pointed out the danger to Australia if the Japanese break through the Pacific battle line and I support him in this matter, Mr. Fraser said. "If the Japanese break through—and I pray to God and believe they will not—then every man and woman in this country will have to stand up to it."

NAZI GOVERNOR OF SALONIKA KILLED

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Gen. Stuntz, the newly-appointed German military Governor of Salonika, was killed when his motor-car crashed into a goods train while he was on his way to a conference in Sofia, according to reports reaching Greek Government circles in London.—Reuter.

Rajaji For Travancore

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 4.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar has been invited by the President of the Travancore University Union and the Pro.-Vice-Chancellor to address the Union on the occasion of the celebration of the annual of the Union.—A. P.

Russia Not Invited?

Attlee Keeps Mum At Shinwell's Question In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Mr. Attlee, Deputy Prime Minister, announced in the Commons to-day in reply to a question that prior consultations were taken with Russia inviting them to the Casablanca Conference.

Asked what was the real reason why there were no military or civil representatives of Russia at the conference, Mr. Attlee said "that is really a matter for the Soviet Government to take a decision rather than ourselves."

Mr. Shinwell (Labour): If M. Stalin found himself unable to attend the conference at Casablanca or elsewhere were the Soviet Government asked to send their representatives, military and diplomatic, to attend the conference? In particular why was it that at the conference with the Turkish Government, which was so important from the Russian standpoint the Russians were not invited?

Mr. Attlee did not reply.—

War Debate In Commons

The Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden as leader of the House, announced that there would be a statement on the war situation at the next series of sittings in the Commons.

Does Br. Rule Enhance Fecundity?

Answering Mr. Lambert's (Liberal) question in the House of Commons to-day the Secretary of State for India Mr. Amery said that the population of India according to the census of 1941 was 389 millions compared with 338,119,000 in 1931; 305,674,000 in 1921 and 302,995,000 in 1911.

Mr. Lambert said: "Do not these figures dispel the illusion that British rule in India has been arbitrary."

Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked: "Does that mean that British rule in India has led to an increase in fertility?"

No further answer was given.

In Turkey

ANKARA: The Turkish Prime Minister M. Sarajoglu received the United States Ambassador Mr. Laurence Steinhardt on Wednesday night. The meeting lasted well over one hour.

LONDON: The British Astronomer Royal Dr. Spencer Jones is to visit Turkey and will also lecture in Palestine and Egypt.

Charge Against M.L.A.

Mr. M. M. Killedar, M.L.A., and a Member of the Municipal Corporation who was arrested on January 25 under the Defence of India Rules, on a charge of failing to declare the stock of food grains to Government, and afterwards released on bail, was placed before Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Police Court, to-day, when his bail period was extended till February 18.

The case against Mr. Ahmed Haji Umerji Rokadia, a milk merchant, who was arrested with Mr. Killedar was also adjourned to February 18.

R.A.F. POUNDS HAMBURG

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The R. A. F. heavily attacked Hamburg last night. Sixteen bombers are missing in this raid on Germany's biggest U-boat building yard.

United States heavy bombers attacked targets in north-west Germany to-day.

BERLIN: The German radio states that "a strong formation of British bombers made a daylight raid to-day on West Germany making use of cloud cover".

Nazis Get Him At Last

MADRID: Wilhelm D. F. Rothschild, a member of the German branch of the family, has been arrested in South France and taken to a concentration camp. He once owned a metal factory in Germany but has been living in France since 1933.—Reuter.

Stimson On New Nazi Offensive To Come

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.

Losses to American convoys bound for Russia have been reduced Mr. Stimson, the United States Secretary for War, stated at his Press Conference to-day. An increased volume of supplies is reaching the Russian armies, he added.

Mr. Stimson suggested that the absence of large numbers of German warplanes on the eastern front may mean that the Germans are "husbanding" their aircraft for a new offensive.—Reuter.

CREATE WORLD INVESTMENT CORPORATION

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.

The Vice-President of the United States, Mr. Henry A. Wallace writing in the March number of the "American Magazine" advocates the establishment of a United Nations investment corporation under whose direction public and private capital could be put to work for world-wide recognition.

INDIA CAN TAKE TURKEY AS MODEL, SAYS HUQ

CALCUTTA, Feb. 4.

The belief that they would be able to follow in the footsteps of Turkey and "evolve out of the heterogeneous population of India a system, a political and social ideal which will redound to the glory of India and also to the great nation which has carried on the administration of the country for nearly a century and a half," was expressed by Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, Chief Minister, Bengal, in according a hearty welcome to the members of the Turkish Press Mission at an afternoon party given by him in their honour today.

Mr. Huq said: "Turkey stands to us as a model which a nation, a modern nation, can very well follow in achieving its destiny amongst the comity of nations of the world. You have solved all those difficult tangles which are given to us to solve in the shape of communal trouble."

On behalf of M. Atay, the leader of the Mission, M. Belge, replied.—A. P.

NEW TYPE OF 'RATIONING'

HUBLI: Rationing of foodstuffs will be introduced in Dharwar city from Saturday, the 6th instant. Ration-cards will only be given to the poor and the needy. Those with an income of over Rs. 100 should seek their requirements in the open market, according to an order issued by the District Magistrate, Dharwar.—A. P.

Eighth Army Reaches Mareth Line

Br. Submarines Sink Ten Axis Ships In Central Mediterranean

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The Brazzaville Radio reported to-night that the Eighth Army has reached the Mareth Line in the Matmata area.

TEN AXIS SHIPS SUNK

It is officially stated that British submarines have destroyed ten Axis supply ships in the Central Mediterranean in the last few days.

BR. SUBMARINES' ACHIEVEMENT

An Admiralty Communique states: "In the last few days one anti-submarine vessel and nine enemy supply ships have been destroyed in the Central Mediterranean by British submarines.

One northbound transport and another large vessel have been successfully attacked. Another small vessel was attacked and damaged. An enemy anti-submarine vessel was engaged and sunk by gunfire off the eastern Tunisian coast. In the same area five small supply ships were also attacked by gunfire and sunk. A small supply ship was gunned and driven ashore becoming a total loss and another was damaged. A large tug was also severely damaged by gunfire, beached and abandoned by its crew. Also off the Tunisian coast two small enemy supply ships were torpedoed and sunk. Off Djerba one of our submarines attacked a large northbound enemy transport under escort. This ship was severely damaged and is believed to have later sunk.

BIG AXIS TRANSPORT HIT

A large enemy vessel of the type normally used as a transport was hit in the Straits of Messina while in tow of two tugs. The result could not be completely observed. Two hits, however, were made with torpedoes and it is considered probably that the transport later sank."

Four Axis Ships Sunk

CAIRO: Thursday's Middle East joint war communique states: "Yesterday our patrols were active in all sectors. Air attacks on enemy shipping off the coast of Tunisia were continued and at least four small vessels were destroyed.

During the night of February 2|3, our torpedo aircraft scored a direct hit on a tanker off the south coast of Italy. The ship was left beached with a heavy list. Yesterday an enemy motor-vessel in harbour at Messina, Sicily, was hit by Allied heavy bombers, who also attacked shipping at Palermo. Targets in south-east Sicily were also attacked by fighter-bombers, who scored hits on warehouses and caused fires.

"From the above operations one of our aircraft did not return."

ATTACK ON GABES 'DROME

The Morocco Radio broadcast Thursday's Allied communique from the North African Headquarters:—"A small local engagement occurred yesterday in the Djebel-Monthor area. Air forces on both sides were active over forward areas. Our bombers attacked Gabes aerodrome and targets near Maknassi. Six enemy aircraft were destroyed during yesterday's operations. Eight of our aircraft are missing."

ITALIAN GENERAL CAPTURED

An Italian Brigadier-General was captured by Americans when they took Sened three days ago. He was the only Italian among the prisoners.

ATTACK ON ROMMEL'S SUPPLY

Allied fighters and fighter-bombers striking at small Axis coastal shipping supposedly carrying fuel and other essential supplies from Sfax to Rommel's rearguards on Wednesday destroyed, sank and damaged a number of vessels between Pisida and Djerba island. Another vessel blew up in the small harbour of Hount Souk on Djerba island after direct hits.

STILL IN CUSTODY

Of the total of fourteen political prisoners arrested in Algiers early in January by the order of Gen. Giraud three are still in custody awaiting completion of official inquiry. Among these three is Dastier de la Vigere, whose brother is one of Gen. de Gaulle's principal associates.

ANNIVERSARY OF KEREN'S FALL

Allied troops in Eritrea recently celebrated the second anniversary of the start of the successful battle of Keren by a memorial service at the foot of the Keren heights. The service was attended by British, United States, Indian and Sudanese detachments was held in the Anglo-American cemetery lying beneath famous ridges.

ROME ON TUNISIAN FIGHTING

ROME: To-day's communique states that air forces of both sides are taking an intensive share in the Tunisian fighting. Yesterday American bombers attacked Palermo. Sixteen civilians were killed and 41 injured and there was considerable damage to buildings. Other attacks were in the neighbourhood of Ragusa-Nicastro and in the provinces of Messina and Reggio di Calabria where there were no casualties. There was slight damage.

SIND BANS JAWAHAR FILM

KARACHI, Feb. 4.

The Government of Sind has banned in the whole of the Province a film entitled "Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru's visit to China and Burma".—A. P.

Record Collection For R. I. N. Amenities

An all-India record was set up when the announcer told the audience on the mike that the total proceeds realised out of the sales of tickets and the auction of an action picture of the H.M.I.S. "Bengal" together with the crest of the ship and a dinner gong amounted to Rs. 33,000 at a film entitled "The War Against Mrs. Hadley" exhibited at the Metro Cinema, Dhobitalao, in aid of R.I.N. amenities fund on Thursday night. Sir Roger Lumley, the Governor of Bombay, and Admiral Sir Patrick Fitzherbert, Flag Officer Commanding the Royal Indian Navy, attended the picture which was screened before a packed house.

Mr. D. F. Karaka auctioned the oil painting of the H. M. I. S. Bengal drawn by Lt. R. N. Wilson. The painting was first bought by Sir Homi Mehta for Rs. 5,100 and re-offered for auction when the Gaekwar of Baroda purchased it for Rs. 6,000. It fetched Rs. 11,500 in all.

The crest and the dinner gong realised Rs. 2,500. It was bought by Mr. A. D. Shroff.

Admiral Fitzherbert while thanking everyone responsible for making the occasion a success described the difficulties under which Indian sailors worked and made an appeal for more amenities for them.

B. J. Wadia Says, 'Four Freedoms' May Not Eliminate War: C. N. Vakil On 'Ominous Clause' In Atlantic Charter

The need to think and plan ahead for the post-war world was stressed by various speakers at a Symposium on "Post-war Reconstruction," held under the auspices of the Indian Progressive Group at the Taj on Thursday evening.

Allies Losing Peace

Mr. R. K. Karanjia, who presided, said that it had now become certain that Allies were swiftly winning the war and were as swiftly losing the peace. The incompetence of the Allies in this matter was nowhere better illustrated than in their handling of the Indian crisis. India, he said, could not consider any 'new world order' unless it guaranteed her freedom from all foreign shackles.

Mr. B. J. Wadia pointed out that since 1400 A.D. the world had hardly known 50 years of peace and after each war the world had shouted 'never again.'

It was absolutely necessary that they should put a stop to this. He referred to the four freedoms of President Roosevelt—freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, freedom from want and freedom from fear—and suggested that these may not necessarily guarantee freedom from war.

Mr. K. M. Munshi said that at the end of the war the present 'nation states' would be replaced by world-combines. The Anglo-American World-combine would face another combine headed by Soviet Russia. Asia would be left without any dominant world-power.

SHEET-ANCHOR

Madame Sophia Wadia said that unless non-violence became the energetic force of to-morrow the world would go from one ghastly mistake to another.

Rev. John MacKenzie said that the only hope for the world lay in strengthening the ties of friendship.

To the freedoms already enunciated he would like to add freedom from cupidity.

Prof. C. N. Vakil said that a clue to the working of the minds of those who were planning a post-war world could be had from the three economic points of the Atlantic Charter. These were: (1) access on equal terms to the trade and to the raw materials of the world which are needed for economic prosperity by all States, with due respect for their existing obligations; (2) collaboration in the economic field, for improved labour standards, economic advancement and social security; and (3) freedom from fear and want for all.

'OMINOUS CLAUSE'

Prof. Vakil stated that the qualifying clause about 'existing obligations' was ominous. The implication of the clause was that the present invidious state of things would continue. That would mean that the war has been fought in vain.

The other clauses, the speaker said, were vague but freedom from want would imply the organisation of schemes of social security and not only for the aged and the sick, the children and the disabled but for every man and woman.

Prof. Vakil suggested that it was high time that India, like other countries, set up a proper organisation to think and plan ahead for post-war reconstruction designed to improve our standard of living and designed to prevent further exploitation of the country by others.

STOP PRESS

SMUTS WINS

CAPE TOWN: Gen. Smuts' motion for voluntary military service of South African forces outside Africa was approved in the Union House of Assembly on Thursday by 75 votes to 49.—Reuter.

JAM SAHEB TO SEE VICEROY

RAJKOT:—H.H. the Jamsaheb of Nawanagar left for Delhi. It is understood he will see the Viceroy on Saturday.—A.P.

NAZI SURPRISE FOR POLAND

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Capt. Hope On Aims Of Arakan Campaign: Tribute To Indian Sappers

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At the outset he stressed that the present operations were not a 100 per cent. bid for the reconquest of all Burma. They are not on that large scale. But they do mean that a start has been made, that our troops engaged there are learning every day something more about their enemy and his methods and that a very useful slice of Arakan has been purged of the invader.

In the last three months our troops have penetrated some 60 or 70 miles into Burma itself.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public that the PARTNERSHIP carried on in the name of Messrs. SHAH AND CHOWDHARY at Mulji Jetha Market is DISSOLVED from 5th February, 1943 and our clients Messrs. Gulabchand Lalchand and Kodali Krishnadas Veeraiah have ceased to be the partners in the said firm and they will not be responsible for any dealings of the said firm from and after the said date.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1943.

DAYALJI & DIPCHAND,
Attorneys for Messrs. Gulabchand Lalchand and Kodali Krishnadas Veeraiah. 3298

Public Notices

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Applications will be received by the Deputy Iron and Steel Controller Exchange Building, Ballard Estate, Bombay, upto the 15th February, 1943.

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Auction Sales

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 653 BALES BURHANPUR CAMBODIA COTTON.

Messrs. MENESSE & CO. will sell by public auction on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1943, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at cotton depot, Sewree near the Cotton Exchange Building by order of the Insurance Offices concerned the above mentioned cotton slightly damaged by fire and water salved from the fire that occurred on the 28th January 1943 to the cotton of Messrs. Universal Cotton Trading Co.

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Under instructions from the Custodian of Enemy Property M/S BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction TODAY FRIDAY, the 5th February, 1943 at 11-30 A.M. (New S.T.) at the office of Goric, Ltd., at Hornby Road, above Singer & Co., the undermentioned property of M/S Minato Suganuma and several others all vested in the Custodian of Enemy Property.

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TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN.)

The bye-election for the Bandra Municipal Board caused by the death of two Muslim members will be held on Sunday. The polling booth is in the Urdu school at Nawpada.

There are five candidates for two seats. The Muslim League has put Mr. H.H. Nadiv, the President of the Primary Muslim League, Bandra and Mr. Mahaboo Balasaheb, Mr. Abdul Razak, Mr. Noormohamed Kari and Mr. Noorbhai Jeejiji are standing on the Independent ticket.

HOARDING RICE AND SUGAR.

Sub-Inspector S. B. Chavan of the Bandra Police raided a grocer's shop at Pali-Danda Road, Bandra and arrested the proprietor Habib Mulji for hoarding 15 bags of rice and 15 bags of sugar, in excess of the declared stock. A case has been filed against him under Section 81 (4) of the Defence of India Act.

EIGHTH WEEK
RANJIT'S BHAKTA
SURDAS
Saigal and Khurshid
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OPERA HOUSE
Daily: 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
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PURSE TO SAVARKAR AT PANVEL

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

"Raising the Pakistan demand is nothing short of day-dreaming and those who are indulging in that game know it full well. What intelligent India need do is to ignore it and expose the entirely fictitious character of the demand for the benefit of such among us as are gullible."

This was the substance of Mr. Vinayak Savarkar's address to a crowded public meeting at Panvel on Sunday over which Mr. Jamnadas Mehta presided. Mr. Savarkar also appealed to all Young Indians to join the Army, Navy and the Air Force which, he said would ultimately make for real national service. Young Hindus,. he further appealed, must do all they can to remove untouchability, break down caste and work for rational outlook on life.

Mr. Savarkar was taken in a huge procession round the town of Panvel and was garlanded profusely by a number of institutions and personal admirers. He was presented a purse of Rs. 1,501 on behalf of Panvel Taluka Hindu Sabha. A number of prominent persons from Thana and Kolaba Districts were present at this meeting in honour of Savarkar.

On Monday Mr. Savarkar drove to Shirdhon, the birth place of the late Vasudeo Balwant Phadke, who died as a rebel against the British Raj in Aden Jail in the nineties of the last century. His descendants have erected a pillar to his memory and Savarkar went to pay his homage to the unsuccessful revolutionary. In a small speech addressed to the huge gathering present on the occasion, he said all those who even differed from his ways, would do honour to the patriotic spirit and love of freedom of the late Vasudeo Balvant.

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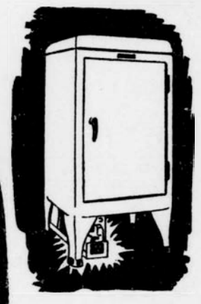

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Sunrise: 8-14 a.m. Sunset: 7-32 p.m.
Hightide: 0-12, 12-10; Lowtide: 6-20, 18-13

AMUSEMENTS

MINERVA—"Sharda" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Masoom" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45
NOVELTY—"Haso Haso" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Tortilla Flat" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
LIGHT HOUSE—"Two-Gun Cupid" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
STRAND—"Rich Man, Poor Girl" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"The Palmbeach Story" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL—"One Day in Sovist Russia" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
NEW WEST END "Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kismet" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
SWASTIK—"Jawani" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
AURORA "Son of Fury" 4, 6-30 and 10
APOLLO "Pagal" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA "Khan Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30
EDWARD "Pukar" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Prarthana" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Rio Rita" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Punarmilan" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Chandni" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
OPERA HOUSE—"Surdas" 5, 7-30 and 10
KOHINOOR—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"United We Stand" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
PARADISE—"The Spoilers" 4-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"They Flew Alone" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"To Be or Not To Be" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH.

PUDUMJEE—Dosibai, wife of the late Godrez Dorabjee Pudumjee, I.S.O. and mother of Perin Kaikhushroo Pherozeshah M. Mehta and late Freny, died at Stratford-on-Avon, England, on 3rd February.

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

BOMBAY PORT TRUST DOCKS STAFF UNION: An Extraordinary General Meeting will be held to-day (Friday), at 6 p.m. sharp in the lane near Tembe's Restaurant, Opp. Carnac Bunder, Railway crossing bridge, to consider the various grievances and demand of the B.P.T. Dock Staff.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Man's Septenary Constitution" from The Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge Jehangir Wadia Bldg. Flora Fountain. to-day (Friday), at 6-15 p.m.

ISLAMIC SOCIETY STUDY CIRCLE: Dr. Abdul Hamid Kazi will deliver the first of a series of eight lectures on "A New World Order and Islam". The title of the first lecture is 'A Crisis in Human Culture' at Shahru Castle, Mahomed Ali Road, to-day (Friday), at 6-30 p.m.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION: The Executive Committee of the Bombay Students' Union at a meeting held on Wednesday passed a resolution strongly condemning the execution of Hemu Kalani a 20 year-old student of Sindh. It regards this act as a violation of justice.

3 ARTS MUSICAL FUNCTION: In honour of the Maharaj Kumar of Bissau, Sir Francis and Lady Low and Mrs. F. S. Taiyarkhan on the 31st January at Greens, was a success. The programme included gems of Urdu poetry by Prof. Sagar, an orchestra of 7 girls, conducted by Mrs. Khurshed Mulla, played and sang Indian classical music. A comedy written by Dil, was acted by Miss Indira, and Dahlavi, Maniar Shethi and Qazi.

FREE KITCHENS FOR FAMINE AREA: Donations amounting to Rs. 66,500 have been collected by the Hon. Sir Shantidas Askuran to provide free kitchens in the famine area of the Bijapur District. The donors include Sir Shantidas Askuran Rs. 15,000; Sheth Virchant Maghjee Rs. 15,000; Sir Shantidas Askuran and Sheth Virchand Maghjee (jointly), Rs. 7,500; Sheth Walchand Hirachand, Rs. 12,500; The Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Rs. 7,500; Shipping Companies in the Agency of Scindias, Rs. 5,000; Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, Rs. 2,000; and Sheth Kilachand Devchand, Rs. 2,000. The Government of Bombay gratefully acknowiedges these generous gifts given for the benefit of the famine-stricken population of Bijapur. The Collector of Bijapur has also set apart Rs. 30,000 from the allotment of Rs. 50,000 sanctioned from the Bombay Famine Fund for the running of free kitchens in selected areas. The remaining Rs. 20,000 is being used for the supply of milk to babies of female labourers in famine works, for the purchase of oilcakes and for the supply of seeds of fodder.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 9 will meet near the Sandhurst Bridge East Side (Opera House) on Saturday, the 6th February 1943 at 6-61 a.m. (B.T.) (8-30 a.m. S.T.), to go round the Ward. Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointmented place and time.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Telegrams to Madras, Karachi, Agra, Lahore and their adjacent areas are subject to serious delay due to congestion and line disturbances.

RLY. SEASON TICKET FOUND: A First Class monthly season ticket between Byculla and Victoria Terminus was found on Thursday morning at V. T. platform Nos. 3 and 4. Owner may inquire at the "Sentinel" office, Parsi Bazar St., Fort.

SHREE NIWAS MILLS' CALENDAR FOR 1943: A novel feature in preparing calendars has been introduced by Messrs. Shree Niwas Cotton Mills Ltd., Bombay, 13, who have printed the calendar for 1943 on their own longcloth called "Narendra". 'Narendra' is a longcloth speciality of fine fabrics manufactured by this mills. This fine white shirting is so nice that an eight-colour printing has been done on it depicting the mills' own multi-colour photo. This method has been devised in view of the scarcity of paper.

The demand for the calendar is so great, we are told, that already two editions of about 5,000 calendars have already been distributed.

WELL-KNOWN FRACTURE SPECIALIST DIES: Death occurred on Monday of Dr. Byram Khambata, well-known Fracture Specialist of Bombay.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

FRIDAY, February 5.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Bhimpalasi on Clarionet. 5-10 Chandabai. 5-20 Talat Mahmood. 5-30 Benazirbai. 5-55 Thumri on Clarionet. 6 Bande Hasan. 6-45 Benazirbai. 7 Dilli ki Galyan—3. 7-15 Bhopali on Sarangi, Clarionet and Violin. 7-30 Filmi Gane. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Chandabai. 8-35 Airvoice Orchestra. 8-45 Karzar. 9-30 B B C News. 9-45 World affairs. 10 Pianoforte recital. 10-25 Water music suite. 10-45 Saz sangeet.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Sarod Solo. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Ahmed Dilawar. 8-45 Suhasini Dharap. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Rahmat Khan. 9-25 Duets. 9-35 Anjanibai Wadkar. 9-50 Air Quartet. 12-30 Qawwalis. 12-45 News in Marathi 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 Bhavgeets. 1-30 News in English 1-40 Lunch-hour music. 4-20 School broadcasts. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Chellammal. 5-20 Purushottam Solankurkar. 5-40 Rahmat Khan. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Children's happy hour. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 News commentary. 6-50 Tarana. 7 New Marathi Books. 7-15 Bhavgeets. 7-30 Chellammal. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Ahmed Dilawar. 8-20 Purushottam Solankurkar. 8-30 Our Universities. 8-45 Topical talk. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 World affairs. 10 Ahmed Dilawar. 10-15 Rahmat Khan. 10-30 Purushottam Solankurkar.

PROPERTY TAX NOT TO BE REDUCED

The Government of Bombay have declined to modify the present form of Urban Immoveable Property Tax and therefore it seems that the Prohibition Policy of the Government will continue.

It will be recalled that the Municipal Corporation passed a resolution dated September 15, 1942, requesting the Government to abolish or reduce the Urban Immoveable Property Tax.

The Government in reply have regretted that they are not in a position to hold out any hope of modifying the present form of taxation, as the present time is not one for reducing taxation and the loss of excise revenue which the Immoveable Property Tax covers, still continues.

As regards the request to exempt all properties in the city which are used for charitable purposes from payment of the Tax so as to give charities concerned some relief, the Government state that the Tax is not leviable in respect of buildings and lands or portions thereof exclusively occupied for public worship or for charitable purposes.

This exemption cannot be given in the case of buildings, the income of which is applied to religious or charitable purposes. Grants-in-aid are, however, given to such of the charitable trusts as deserve assistance from Government.

City Fathers' Tribute To Late Maharajah Of Bikaner

The Municipal Corporation adjourned on Thursday as a mark of respect to the memory of H. H. the Maharaja of Bikaner who died in Bombay on Tuesday last. Dr. J. A. Collaco, who presided made a reference regarding the late Maharaja and said he was a great statesman and a renowned soldier and by his death, the people of Bikaner had lost a benevolent ruler and India, one of her greatest sons.

Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta then moved the condolence resolution and paid tributes to the noble qualities of head and heart of the deceased ruler.

The resolution was passed standing, and the House then adjourned till Monday.

COTTON BALES WORTH RS. 40,000 BURNT

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Damage to the extent of Rs. 40,000 was caused by a fire which broke out in the early hours of this morning in a huge stock of cotton bales at Sewri.

SILK WORKERS ON STRIKE

SURAT:—Silk workers of two textile mills in Surat went on strike on Thursday. It is stated that the workers, in view of the increased cost of living in the city, demanded an increase in the dearness allowance, which was not granted. It is understood that negotiations are in progress for compromise.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

Civil Appointments

Mr. N. A. Mehrban, F.S.S., F.R. Econ. S., M.B.E., Assistant Commissioner of Labour, Bombay, to be Labour Officer, Bombay, vice Mr. C. N. Bagve, reverting.

Mr. A. S. Iyengar, Assistant Commissioner of Labour in charge Labour Welware Department, Bombay, is appointed to be Assistant Commissioner of Labour, Bombay, vice Mr. Mehrban.

A temporary post of Special Officer under the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, for doing the work relating to evacuees is created from 6th January 1943 and Mr. J. Simmons to hold it up to the 30th June 1943.

Mr. W. J. Jenkins, Director of Agriculture, is granted leave on average pay for two months and seven days from 29th March 1943.

On return from leave Mr. W. J. Jenkins is reposted as Director of Agriculture.

Mr. M. V. Hegde, to be the Government Pleader for the Thana and Bombay Suburban Districts and to be the Public Prosecutor for the Thana and Bombay Suburban Districts for three years from 2nd Feb. 1943.

New Clerk Of The Crown

Mr. Sohrab Dinshah Vimadalal, B.A., LL.B., Barrister-at-Law has been appointed to the part-time post of clerk of the Crown in the Bombay High Court in place of Mr. J. H. Vakeel Barrister-at-Law, who retires from that post which he occupied for 19 years. Mr. Vimadalal was born in 1906 and started his practice at the Bar in 1929 and has been standing Defence Counsel of the Western India Automobile Association for several years. He has been well-known in connection with motor-accident cases. Mr. Vimadalal will assume charge of his office on Saturday the 6th February.

Alleged Throwing Of Acid

BOMBAY, Thursday.

It was revealed in the court of Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum, to-day that a bottle containing some corrosive substance was thrown by a man on his mistress following a quarrel with her.

The police stated that on Tuesday night there was a quarrel between Nagaya Madaya Swami and Chandrabai Krishna. Next morning, the police alleged, Nagaya hurled at Chandrabai a bottle presumed to be containing sulphuric acid, which caused severe burns on her body. She was taken to G. T. Hospital where she was treated.

The suspect was enlarged on bail.

Transvaal Indian Congress

AJMER, (By Mail).

A cablegram received by Swami Bhawani Dayal, Agent of the Natal Indian Congress, from South Africa announcing that a mass meeting of Transvaal Indians was held on last Sunday, where about seven thousand people were present to elect new officials of the Transvaal Indian Congress. There was a keen contest between the Congress Party and the Nationalist Group for the official position, but the Congress Party successfully defeated the Nationalist Group by a substantial majority, and Messrs. M. E. Valod and S. M. Nana were respectively re-elected as President and Secretary for the ensuing year.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS.

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Governor of Bombay presided at a Meeting of the Bombay Presidency War Committee at the Secretariat.

The Governor of Bombay dined with Commodore, A. R. Rattray and afterwards attended a Cinema Performance at the Metro Cinema in aid of B.I.N. Amenities.

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WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

Presiding over the annual meeting of the Calcutta branch of the European Association the other day, Mr. C. R. Lawson stated that the Council of the Association "felt most strongly that the whole constitutional problem in India should be examined in conditions of peace and in the light of the many problems which both the present and the post-war situation would provide." He added that "to prejudice this consideration by hasty interim measures involving constitutional changes might well provide further difficulties in the present and further problems for future solution." This is a downright plea for 'status quo', for vested interests, regardless of the justice of the entire nation's demand for a free National Government. We do not think such a view is held by the bulk of the European community in India. Even if it is, it may be due to selfish interests. However, it may be considered on its merits. Mr. Lawson assumes that there is no prospect of any settlement which will not introduce "the bitter opposition of one political party or another and this could not fail to interfere with the efficient prosecution of the war." We realise it is, unfortunately, easy for Government to prevent a complete settlement. But if they like, they can help in bringing about one. So far they have hindered a settlement rather than helped it. What else can one say of a Government who threw into jail almost all Congress leaders just while they were planning negotiations both with the Viceroy and the Muslim League and have since prevented all attempts by mediators to open negotiations with them even in jail?

Release Congress Leaders

Mr. Lawson also assumes that the present political and war situation is satisfactory enough and that in the present circumstances any constitutional changes must necessarily prejudice the prosecution of the war. But the people of India, whose interests are most at stake in the Indian problem, feel that the situation here is far from satisfactory and that for this very reason more than any other a National Government is absolutely necessary. Mr. Lawson will probably argue that a National Government presupposes an agreement between the major parties in India and that there is no such agreement at present. But how can there be such an agreement when the leaders of one party are in jail? The fact seems to be that Government are determined to maintain the 'status quo' and refuse to part with real power, though their pretext is that only the absence of an agreement among the parties stands in the way of a National Government. It is true that a united agitation will bring Government to a better sense of their responsibilities. That is why we incessantly plead for at least a tentative Congress-League understanding, without prejudice to their respective ultimate demands. But negotiations between these bodies are obviously impossible so long as Congress leaders are neither released nor allowed facilities for negotiations in jail. In these circumstances Government will be held most responsible for the consequences of the present deadlock.

Jinnah's Opportunity

Nor can Mr. Jinnah entirely escape responsibility in the matter. Even Muslim leaders like Dr. Syed Abdul Latif, reputed to be the originator of one of the Pakistan schemes, feel that Mr. Jinnah has harmed his own cause by refusing to respond to the "earnest attempt" made by the Congress in August last "to placate the Muslim League" when it "held out the largest measures of autonomy to units, residuary powers and even the right of secession", terms which "argued sovereign status to units including Pakistan areas." Dr. Latif earnestly pleads that now at least the League should "seek a contact with the Congress leaders in jail and the British Government, the parties which matter, . . . and reach a settlement agreeable and honourable to everyone concerned." He hopes that the League, which will meet shortly at Delhi in an open annual session, "will not go round yet another barren year". We need hardly add that we wholeheartedly share the hope. It is still possible for Mr. Jinnah to help in bringing about a settlement.

House Collapse Inquiry

We have received from the Director of Information a very brief summary of the report of the Churchgate House Collapse Inquiry Committee, published on Thursday. But we do not know why the full report has not been sent to the Press together with the summary. The summary points to a serious state of things with regard to the construction of the building in question. We are told that "the three principal and contributory causes for the sudden and precipitate collapse of the building were bad material, bad workmanship or method of construction, and bad design." Apart from the question of bringing to book the persons responsible for criminal neglect, the more serious question is how to prevent the recurrence of such tragedies. We are told this subject is under the consideration of the Government and that the recommendations of the Committee will, where practicable and acceptable be implemented without avoidable delay. Government should publish their decisions in this matter so as to enable competent persons among the public to offer helpful suggestions as to what preventive measures are practicable and, therefore, should be acceptable to Government.

An Outrage

He could certainly be no genuine friend of Great Britain who desecrated the statue of the Liberator of Russia in London. One may be sure that there are still in Britain, even after the experience of three and a half years of Nazi horrors, a good many who have sneaking sympathy with Hitlerism and rooted antipathy towards what they would call "Bolshevism." Such persons are to be found even in high social and political circles in the land. The recent telling successes of the Reds against Hitler's hordes could not but have intensified the feelings against the Soviet leaders. The silly desecration of Lenin's statue could be ascribed to only such antipathy. But the class of persons who still admire Hitler and his gang and hate the Soviet leaders can only be of microscopical proportions, probably confined to a wealthy and snobbish set. As Mrs. Roosevelt bore ample testimony the other day, among the general run of people in Great Britain, especially among the working classes, there is nothing but admiration and gratitude for Soviet Russia, for the magnificent heroism of its people and the indirect service they have rendered to Great Britain by drawing off the deadly fire of the enemy from the latter to themselves.

"MEN AND SUPERMEN OF HINDUSTAN"

Striking Pen-Portraits By Mr. Joachim Alva

Thacker's will publish next week "Men and Supermen of Hindustan" by Mr. Joachim Alva. The book will contain pencil sketches executed by G. V. Chandvadker, Staff Artist, "Bombay Chronicle". "Men and Supermen of Hindustan" will contain a galaxy of pen portraits, of men and women, of every race and community, of every sphere of national activity, and of every political colour, who have influenced the destinies of this country for good or evil since India declared Independence at Lahore in 1929. It contains full length portraits of many living and departed personalities who have dominated the Indian stage during the past three decades.

The publishers announce the second volume of "Men and Supermen of Hindustan" under preparation.

The sketches are penetrating studies of the men and women they depict and are written in a vigorous and attractive style, making exceedingly interesting reading so as to provide intellectual fare to every one, in every walk of life. Their appeal is universal, though the author's strong pro-Congress bias is not concealed. The sketches of Mahatma Gandhi, Tagore, Nehru and Lord Hailey are the longest in the book, the last one especially powerfully X-Raying the mind, philosophy and the action governing the Indian Civil Service, both its Indian and European members.

The book, which has an attractive jacket bearing the small reproductions of all the twenty-five pictures, is priced at Rs. 11.

National Song For Cinema

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I would like to draw the attention of all those concerned with the Indian films, to the fact, that there ought to be a national anthem or some sort of a salutation to our Mother Country, in each and every Indian theatre at the end of each show. I would request (on behalf of many others interested in such a plan) to all those concerned with the running of Indian films to show us the outline of India, with inset-scenes of agricultural and village life, and a simultaneous background recording of "Hindustan Hamara". To this we the audience shall stand up and give our National Salute.

This sort of a thing I'm sure will be highly appreciated by many film-goers, as well as approved by Indians.

I sincerely hope that my request will not fall on deaf ears.—Yours etc.,

"IMMENSELY INTERESTED".

Red Army Day

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Great Britain is going to celebrate 21st February as the 'Red Army Day' by organising demonstrations in principal towns. I consider it to be a fit tribute which Soviet Russia deserves if we celebrate the same day as the 'Red Army Day'. The celebration of the 'Red Army Day' has its own lessons. The citizens will gather from it the degree and extent of self-sacrifice and bravery necessary to save one country when it is invaded—A Russian soldier defending his country is quite different from the Russian soldier invading Finland—and to the notice of the Government it should prominently bring the enthusiasm, the self-sacrifice and acts of bravery of which the citizens are capable in a country where the Government is by the people of the people and for the people.

I am going to try if the Government of India will take up the celebration of this 'Red Army Day'.—Yours etc.,

G. V. DESHMUKH,
M.L.A. (Central).

Nagpur, Feb. 3.

Frankly Speaking

Madras Christians' Demands

The Indian Christian members of both the Houses of Legislature of Madras have set a good example to the minorities by demanding that India should be declared free and a National Government should be set up as early as possible. Under a free democratic Government a large and influential community like the Christians can always assert itself through a judicious use of their vote. Another resolution adopted by the Christian legislators requests Government that the whole of the assessed waste lands now available for cultivation in the province should be allotted to the members of the scheduled castes, "including Indian Christian converts." The scheduled castes, being all Hindus, cannot "include" converts to Christianity. But we agree that the concession should be given to poor persons who know how to till land, irrespective of caste or creed. Apart from its ameliorative aspect, it will do a much-needed service by growing more food.

Scholarships To Harijan Students

The Central Board of the Harijan Sevak Sangh has done a service by granting a number of scholarships to Harijan students studying in colleges in Bihar, who could not secure Government scholarships. It is not clear why the Government did not grant the scholarships. In some cases the objections urged by Government are quite technical and trivial. We understand that in our own province Harijan school students born in the States are not granted scholarships otherwise due to them. If the existing rules stand in the way they should be changed, and till that is done promising Harijan students in schools and colleges should be helped by the public particularly by institutions like the Harijan Sevak Sangh.

Objectionable

It is said that the Federal Court, which opened in the first week of October after an inordinately long vacation of four months, has not yet heard a single case. One of the judges is now abroad on a political mission and is said to have done political propaganda in New York. Judges in the highest court should not have anything to do with political propaganda. We agree with the "Hindustan Times" that the matter is of sufficient public importance to merit a debate in the Central Legislature.

Abdul Wali Khan Gets Three Years' Jail

Khuda-i-Khidmatgar Secretary Also Convicted

(Through A. P. and U. P.)

PESHAWAR, Feb. 4.

Abdul Wali Khan, son of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment under section 40 of the Frontier Crime Regulations.

Babu Ghulam Rasul, Secretary of the Khuda-i-Khidmatgar movement, was also given a similar sentence.

Five Red-Shirts marched towards the courts for picketing, but they were taken into custody before they actually reached the premises.

NOTICES ON ABSCONDERS

SATARA:—The District Magistrate of Surat has issued an order under the D.I.R. asking four persons of Patan taluka, who are said to be absconding to avoid arrest and detention, to present themselves before the First Class Magistrate, Patan, on or before February 25 next.

An order has also been issued under the same Rules asking five persons of Wai taluka to appear before the First Class Magistrate, Wai, on or before the same date.

THREE PERSONS WANTED

SURAT:—The District Magistrate has issued an order under the D.I.R. asking Shanti Jaram Koli, Dahya Govan Koli and Giju Ranchhod Koli, all of Chorasi taluka, to present themselves before the D.S.P., Surat, or P.S.I., Chorasi, or S.C.M., Chorasi, on or before February 23 next.

TWO JAILED

SURAT:—Two persons have been sentenced to six months' R.I. for having in possession illegal literature.

STONES AND ACID THROWN AT POLICE

AHMEDABAD: — Two persons were arrested to-day under D.I.R. Stones and acid were thrown at the police at several places but none was injured.

RECORDS SET ON FIRE

BELGAUM:—Some articles, cash and a rifle were stolen from the Government farm at Tegur. The record was set on fire. The village 'Chawadi' at Bhendegeri and primary school records at Akiwat and Yadwad were damaged by fire. Mr. G. V. Uppal, a primary school teacher, was taken into custody under the D.I.R.

COLLEGE STUDENT ARRESTED

SHOLAPUR:—Mr. R. R. Nanadgaokar, a local college student was put under arrest following the seizure of some prejudicial leaflets from his residence. One arrest was made here on suspicion of theft of telephone and telegraph wires.

KOLHAPUR CONVICTIONS

KOLHAPUR:—Four merchants from Gadhinglaj were awarded eight months' R.I. and fined Rs. 200 for prejudicial activities. A local merchant and his son were taken into custody. They have been sent to Nipani for further investigation.

CONGRESS WORKERS ARRESTED

MIRAJ:—The Government bungalow at Shahapur is reported to have been set on fire, but owing to prompt action of the public not much damage could be caused to the bungalow. Messrs. Mahomarad Saunde and Charthanh Chandhari, Congress workers, were arrested at Selu for prejudicial activities.

DHARWAR CONVICTIONS

DHARWAR:—One person was given seven years' R.I. and fined Rs. 500 in default two years' R.I., for an act of sabotage. Fifteen persons were sentenced to five years' R.I. each for the same offence.

JAIL FOR PRINTING LEAFLETS

MUZAFFARPUR:—Two persons connected with a local printing press have been convicted and sentenced to undergo R.I. for three years' each for printing and being in possession of prejudicial leaflets. The Muzaffarpur Police, assisted by the special branch, have recovered two cyclostyle machines, printing outfits and a large number of Congress bulletins from a house in the town and some persons have been taken into custody.

SURI (Birbhum):—The house of Mr. Souri Samonta, Secretary of the local Students' Association, and the office of the Association were searched early this morning by the police. Some pamphlets and papers were seized.

ASSAM JAMIET LEADERS ARRESTED

SYLHET: — Maulana Zaharul Haque and Mr. Maula Bux, prominent members of the Assam Provincial Jamiet-ul-Ulema have been arrested under D.I.R.

EXECUTION STAYED

NAGPUR, Feb. 4.

The execution of the death sentence passed on Vishnusingh Gond of Betul has been stayed on his intimating the Reviewing Judge of his desire to appeal to the Privy Council.

It will be recalled that Vishnusingh was sentenced to death for an act of sabotage in August last when disturbances occurred in Betul District. Recently, a mercy petition on behalf of Vishnusingh submitted to the Viceroy was rejected.—United Press.

Seven Acquitted In Revision

MADRAS: Seven accused who were sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment in what is known as the Singanallur Train Derailment Case were acquitted and the sentence of transportation for life of another accused in the same case was reduced to two years' R. I. by Mr. Justice Wardsworth, sitting as Revision Judge, in the Madras High Court.

His Lordship reviewed the judgment of the Special Judge of Coimbatore, who tried the case and sentenced 43 persons to varying terms of imprisonment for the offence of being connected with the derailment of a goods train in August last near Singanallur.

The sentence on 35 remaining accused was unaltered.

PROMINENT LEADERS' APPEAL FOR MERCY

NAGPUR, Feb. 2.

Thirty-one prominent leaders including Dr. N. B. Khare, former Premier of the Central Provinces, Col. Sir Krishnaji Kukday, Dr. L. V. Paranjpe, and Mr. T. J. Kedar, Vice-Chancellor, have issued an appeal to the C. P. Government that mercy should be shown to the persons who have been awarded extreme penalty for acts of sabotage, arson and murder in connection with the August incidents.

The appeal says: "Some of these men are of young impulsive and may have been the victims of propaganda carried on by persons of questionable character. We desire that a chance should be given to them to repent over their actions and improve themselves which can be done only if their lives are spared and they are put under restraint".

It may be remembered that twenty-eight persons have so far been awarded capital punishment in this province in connection with the disturbances.

ACQUITTED IN APPEAL

WARDHA:—Mr. Gadre, an inmate of the Malwadi Ashram, who was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for delivering a prejudicial speech in September last, was acquitted on appeal by the Sessions Judge.

Only Token Export Of Grains From India

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Assurances that the Food Department was taking vigorous steps to solve the difficulties arising out of food shortage in certain provinces and that the Department had undertaken the responsibility of securing food grains from the surplus provinces and of supplying them to the deficit provinces like Bombay, were given by the Hon. Mr. N. R. Sarker, Commerce Member, in reply to a representation made to-day by Mr. C. S. Patel, President of the Association of Indian Industries, Bombay.

Rice And Wheat Shortage

Regarding rice shortage, the Commerce Member said that it would not be possible to make up the deficiency by imports from abroad. But in so far as wheat was concerned, Government had taken steps to get substantial quantities from abroad, subject to shipping conditions.

EXPORTS CURTAILED

Referring to export of food grains he said that it had been considerably curtailed during recent months and that India was only supplying to Ceylon and Persian Gulf countries as token help. He informed the members of the Committee that such exports came to less than India's three days' consumption of rice.

ASSOCIATION'S REPRESENTATION

The representation made by Mr. C. S. Patel on behalf of the Association of Indian Industries touched several problems such as the difficulties arising out of the failure of the authorities to grant new licences to industrial concerns for opening grain distribution centres and the hardships experienced by industrialists due to deficiency in supplies of essential industrial materials.

The representation also pointed out that the Committee of the Indian Industries Association viewed with grave apprehension the indication of inflationary trends in the economy of the country. It was also stated that the attitude of Government towards industries was halting and conservative.

FOOD GRAIN DISTRIBUTION

The Commerce Member, in the course of his reply said that in the matter of distribution of food grains, the Central Government had to leave the responsibility to the Provincial Governments for devising measures to minimise the difficulties gradually.

ROOT OF TROUBLE

On the question of the supply of essential industrial materials, the Commerce Member agreed that many of the industries meeting civilian needs had been experiencing some hardships on this score at the present moment. This had been largely due to difficulties in getting necessary shipping facilities which inevitably resulted in a drastic curtailment of imports.

Regarding the observations of the Association on inflation and sterling resources, the Commerce Member stated that the matter was receiving the serious consideration of the Government. The subject did not pertain to the Commerce Portfolio and, as the Association had pointed out, was the concern of the Finance Department.

STERLING BALANCES

As regards the disposal of sterling balances, various suggestions had been made from different quarters and the Government was examining those suggestions together with their economic implications and practicability. The policy of repatriation of sterling balances followed by the Government up till now was, according to the Commerce Member, on right lines. Methods for utilization of further growing sterling balances were under examination of the Government at present.

Regarding the question of future industrial policy of Government, the Commerce Member could not fully share the views of the Association that Government had done nothing in the matter of industrial development though he admitted that much more could have been done by a bolder industrial policy in opportune times.

Air Mails which left India after the 12th October, 1942, upto 9th November, 1942, have been delivered in the United Kingdom. Airgraphs which left India after December 22, 1942, and upto January 13, have also been delivered.

AID FOR FAMINE AFFECTED BIJAPUR

(CONTRIBUTED)

Bijapur is one of the districts of the Province of Bombay which lies in the famine zone of the Deccan plateau. Situate as it is in the interior of the Province, it does not get proper advantage of the south west monsoon on which western India depends mainly for its rainfall. Although no less than five rivers run through the district it is extraordinary that there are no irrigation works worth the name in the district. Bijapur has a population of about 10 lakhs, of whom 1 lakh are weavers. Next to agriculture, weaving is the most important occupation in the district

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A district famine relief committee has been in existence in the district since 1921, composed of officials and non-officials. The President is the Collector and the Honorary Secretary is Syt. P. G. Sidhanti, B.A., LL.B. The Committee has been in charge of the unofficial famine relief operations which supplement the measures such as the opening of relief works that are undertaken by Government. In 1937-38, when the distress was not so acute as now and prices ruled much lower, the Committee spent Rs. 1,40,000 on various measures intended to alleviate the distress among human beings and cattle. The main activities of the Committee on that occasion were the cheap supply of fodder and seeds, the provision of amenties for labourers on relief works, the distribution of milk to babies in arms, the organization of free kitchens for the infirm and the old, and for young children and the supply of clothes to the needy and indigent.

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The Committee has drawn up a similar programme of work for the current year. In view of the acuteness of the distress and the extent of the area affected as also because of the prevailing high prices of various commodities, the Committee estimates its requirements at at least Rs. 5 lakhs. Of this amount, about a lakh and a half will be utilized for the running of free kitchens at nine centres in various parts of the district. The next large item of expenditure is likely to be the supply of clothes which may require an outlay of Rs. 1,35,000. If bales of cloth are received as gifts, the cash sums to be spent on this head will be correspondingly reduced. A sum of Rs. 80,000 is expected to be spent on the supply of fodder. This will cover transport and other charges for the fodder that is purchased and the distribution of feeding stuffs such as cotton seeds and oil-cakes. In order to enable agriculturists at the start of the next sowing season to get bullocks on hire it is proposed to provide a sum of Rs. 15,000, while a sum of Rs. 50,000 will be needed to lay in stocks of seed for sowing as the district has exhausted all its own stocks. It is proposed to assist the weaving community by supplying yarns and getting sarees suitable for local use prepared on payment of wages. The outlay on this is estimated at Rs. 15,000. Reference has been made above to emigrants from the district. As most of those who wander about in search of employment are absolutely resourceless, a provision of Rs. 8,000 has been made for making food available to migrants. Similarly, as in previous years, arrangements have been made to give cash help to respectable families in distress. This item and the provision of medical aid, the supply of milk to infants of women at work and the provision of a few amenities for the labouring population are, in the aggregate, estimated to require an expenditure of Rs. 50,000. It is likely that as distress deepens other items of work also will have to be taken in hand.

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The Committee at Bijapur has issued appeals for help to the generous public of Bombay and elsewhere. In response to this appeal, the Sheriff's Permanent Famine Relief Fund has sanctioned a contribution of Rs. 50,000 Contributions have also been received from the trustees of the N. M. Wadia and Sir Dorabji Tata Charities. Through the good offices of the Hon'ble Sir Shantidas Askuran contributions have been promised for the maintenance of the free kitchens to the extent of nearly three quarters of a lakh. Local collections amount to Rs. 25,000 nearly, but in view of the distress that prevails more cannot be expected from the district itself. Gifts of bales of cloth have been promised by some mills in response to an appeal issued by Mrs. Tara Ali Baig, and arrangements are expected to be made for the supply of yarn for the weavers. The main needs of the people of the district are food grains for themselves, fodder for their cattle and clothing, particularly, for women and children. The general shortage of food grains has made the task of the relief workers difficult and arduous; and Government will have to accord to the needs of the district priority over other demands. Moreover, the high prices of food grains and fodder and have led to an announcement of the estimates of expenditure on relief poerations. If along with the official measures such as the opening of relief works, the payment of subsistence wages to labour and the provision of facilities for purchase of grain at the works, the supplementary measures of relief outlined above are not undertaken by non-official agency, there is a danger of large mortality occurring among the valuable cattle of the agriculturists as also of death from malnutrition taking place among human beings particularly the infirm, the old and young children. To assist the local committee to carry out these operations efficiently and to see that it secures ample funds for this purpose, a small Committee has been started in Bombay with Syt. A. V. Thakkar of the Servants of India Society, (Bombay No. 4) as its Chairman. Donations, which will be acknowledged immediately, may be sent to the Treasurer, Post Box No. 472, Bombay.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"It is, therefore, no use hoodwinking the Muslims of Bengal that the formula which may hold in the Punjab will also hold good in Bengal....We depend upon the Quad-I-Azam to modify the Pakistan idea....."

—Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, Premier of Bengal.

"How does all that strike Mr. Jinnah? Will he, for a moment, think that he is simply eddying about in blind uncertainty obsessed with meaningless egoism? The Muslim League on his account is still a concern of the easy going—of those who would lie in ambush to pounce upon gains gathered by others. It is to meet shortly at Delhi to review its position in an open annual session. Will the balanced minds in the camp, assert themselves in favour of softening Mr. Jinnah's angularities and earnestly seeking a contact with the Congress leaders in jail and the British Government, the parties which matter, to soften their angularities as well, and reach a settlement agreeable and honourable to everyone concerned?

—Mr. Abdul Latif, one of the original authors of Pakistan scheme.

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The Berlin radio announced that "the fight for Stalingrad is finished."

Yes, but Stalingrad is far from finished! And there's the rub.

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"Turkey", says M. Atay, "is the best friend of India?"

This statement is liable to be resented by the Imperialists who are convinced that it is Britain that is the *best* friend of India.

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"Begad, Sir", said Colonal Blimp apropus of the Colour Bar controversy, "I would much rather take orders from a white Nazi than from a blinking black native"!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Colour Bar has completely disappeared from Britain. (If this ain't a prize howler my name is Winston Churchill and I am writing the Atlantic Charter!)

(2) The British ruling class does not like Colour Bar at all—in fact it does not like anything coloured except whisky which it prefers to be without the colourless soda.

(3) The Colour Bar may ultimately disappear even from London clubs and hotels but (thank God) never, never from the Yacht Club and the Bombay Gymkhana.

(4) Now that journalists are beginning to take interest in War Finance, it seems they are hoping to get some finance after all!

(5) Doctor Moonje is going to propose the dissolution of the Hindu Mahasabha because he has come to believe that "religion is one's personal affair" and should not be mixed up with politics.

(6) Mr. Jinnah agrees with this point of view and he also says that "religion is one's personal affair" and should not be mixed up with Pakistan.

Satyamurti Released On Grounds Of Health

MADRAS, Feb. 4.

Mr. Satyamurti, M.L.A. (Central), has been released on medical grounds at the General Hospital.

Mr. Satyamurti has issued the following statement:—

"I am very weak and unable to move out of bed. I am told by my medical advisers that I shall be physically and otherwise unfit to do any sort of work for several months. I shall, therefore, have to give myself complete rest from all activities for at least six months. I shall be unable to receive visitors for the time being. God willing and with the good wishes of my friends, I hope on recovery to be of some service to my country".

Mr. Satyamurti proposes to remain in hospital for a few more days as he is very weak.—A. P.

LOWER COURT'S JUDGMENT QUASHED.

GUNTUR, Feb. 3.

Five accused who were charged with removing rails near the Kambam railway station were acquitted by the Sessions Judge delivering judgment in the appeal preferred on behalf of the accused, against the judgment of the Lower Court, which sentenced them to one year's rigorous imprisonment. The Sessions Judge found them "not guilty".

In another appeal the Sessions Judge acquitted Subramanyam who was charged with offence of picketing courts at Chirla in August 1942, observing that no case had been made out.

The period of supersession of Betawad Municipality has been extended by the Bombay Government to February 28, 1943.

MR. K. VENKATAPPAYYA'S HEALTH.

GUNTUR, Feb. 3.

Mr. Konda Venkatappayya, M.L.A., who was released from jail a week ago is reported to be having high blood pressure. He is weak and much reduced in weight. Local physicians have advised complete rest for two months.—A. P.

"One Day In Soviet Union"

R. V. Raman, R. M. Jhambekar, Suhasini Jambhekar, Shashi Mohan Bakhaya, Secretaries and members of the committee F.S.U. write:—

The management of the Capitol Theatre have to be congratulated for bringing the film "One Day In The Soviet Union" to the people of Bombay. The idea underlying this documentary film was evolved by the late Maxim Gorky—just prior to his death. Eighty-nine cameramen were dispatched to the far-corners of the U.S.S.R. to shoot at random various facets of Soviet life, simultaneously on the same day at exactly the same point of time. That is the significance of "One day in the Soviet Union."

The Film is an embodiment of this unique cine-effort giving us within the short span of an hour a glimpse into every-day Soviet life right from Vladivostok in the Far-East to Leningrad in the West and from Mount Pamir in the south to the cold Siberian North,—everyday life that is at once rich and revealing.

We of the Friends Of The Soviet Union, Bombay, call upon all our members and sympathisers not to miss this opportunity of being with the people of the various nationalities of the Soviet Union for a day of their normal pre-war life.

LYALLPUR: Dr. Shyama Prashad Mukherjee has consented to preside over the Punjab Provincial Hindu Conference to be held at Lyallpur next month.

Tokio's Hopeless Gamble

LONDON: The new Japanese south-eastward thrust to the Solomons bears the marks of a gamble in the opinion of "The Daily Telegraph" naval correspondent. He sees no reason to suppose it will succeed. In fact the odds are against it. In every Far Eastern battle since the initial drive, the Japanese have sustained more important losses than they have been able to inflict.

The correspondent says that three factors seem to promise the present series of actions will not be exceptions.

Firstly, the losses and damage inflicted on the Japanese Navy make it unlikely that more than two fleet aircraft-carriers are now in service.

Secondly, the losses of aircraft in recent months have been so heavy that only a few weeks ago Japan was forced to use old floatplanes in the Solomons against modern American aircraft.

Thirdly, the Japanese fleet is probably many miles from its base. It may be based on much bombed Rabaul but it seems far more likely that it is operating from Truk in the Carolines, nearly 1,200 miles south of the Rennzl area."

Vanakanau 'Drome Bombed

The "communique" from Allied Headquarters in South-West Pacific states:

"NEW BRITAIN: At Rabaul for the fourth successive day our heavy bombers attacked shortly before dawn the Vanakanau aerodrome which was heavily bombed and strafed. A haze of searchlights prevented observation of results.

OPEN BAY: One of our heavy bombers attacked with bombs and machine-gunfire three Japanese power launches filled with troops causing substantial casualties. Two Japanese cargo ships attacked in previous raids were observed to be beached.

LOLABAU ISLAND: One of our heavy bombers attacked a 3,000 ton cargo ship towing two barges. A direct hit amidships and several near misses were scored heavily damaging the ship which was last seen slowly heading towards shore in an endeavour to beach. One of the barges was sunk instantly by a direct hit.

GASMATA: One of our heavy bombers bombed the aerodrome.

MUBO-WAU AREA: Our attack planes bombed and strafed the Mubo-Komiatum track and area.

KAI ISLAND: Our medium bombers attacked the wharf area at Toeal from a low altitude starting extensive fires.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Our heavy bombers attacked enemy supply dumps near Kaukenau bombing and strafing from a low altitude".—

SUCCESSFUL ALLIED ATTACK

Reuter's special correspondent at the advanced base in New Guinea says:—A strong Australian ground force has followed up the artillery "softening" with a successful attack on the Japanese position south-east of Wau airfield in New Guinea.

Fighting is in progress over a wide area in the Wandumimuoo area south-east of the Wau airfield where strong Australian patrols are attacking scattered Japanese positions. Other Japanese units are still in position in the Crystal Creek area south-east of Wau.

Jap Attack On U. S. Vessels

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.

An American correspondent with the United States Fleet in the Southern Pacific cabling on February 2 said that the first night bombing attack by Japanese planes on American surface vessels covering Gudalcanar occurred on January 29. The assault may indicate the resumption of Japanese air activity which had been strangely absent in recent weeks.—Reuter.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb. 4.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 99/2
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan 100/7
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/14
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 103/14
3 per cent 1963/65 95/8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 101/5
4 per cent 1960/70 110/8
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 114
3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102/15

TAX FREE LOANS.

6 per cent 1945/55 108/5
4 per cent 1965/63 Mysore 117
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 129/0

CORPORATION DEBENTURES.

4 per cent B P T 1974 108/8
4 per cent M Deb 1974 109/8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 118
5 per cent M Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K P T 1956 120

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 4.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/5 5/16 Four Months
B C Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/6 31/32 D D 1/6 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 6/32
LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2
LONDON/MONTREAL—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4
LONDON/BERLIN—
Banks selling T T Fcs 125 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2
LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 1..
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128
MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 65.04 D D Rs. 62.04
LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom D D Ecs 7.35 nom.
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Steady, dull.
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready. 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money :—Call one and two months 1/4 per cent
3 to 9 months 1/2 per cent
10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent
Tone :—Better enquiry.

Reserve Bank Of India

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 29th day of January, 1943.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	10,93,84,000
Notes in circulation	593,24,72,000
Total Notes issued	604,18,56,000
Total Liabilities	604,18,56,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities : 66.246 per cent.

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion :—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000
(b) Held outside India	—
Sterling Securities	355,83,39,000
Total of A	400,24,82,000
B. Rupee Coin	14,57,93,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	189,35,81,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper	
Total Assets	604,18,56,000

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 29th January, 1943.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits :—	
(a) Government—	
(1) Central Government of India	27,55,65,000
(2) Government of Burma	1,03,45,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	11,50,10,000
(b) Banks	44,49,88,000
(c) Others	4,54,96,000
Bills Payable	1,49,70,000
Other Liabilities	7,10,11,000
Rupees	107,73,85,000

ASSETS	Rs
Notes	10,93,84,000
Rupee Coin	13,26,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,77,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted :—	
(a) Internal	
(b) External	
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,93,44,000
Balances held abroad*	85,17,76,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	39,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	
Investments	6,37,67,000
Other Assets	2,77,11,000
Rupees	107,73,85,000

*Includes Cash and Short Term Securities.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb. 4.

The local market opened quiet to-day at Rs. 424 for March delivery and advanced to Rs. 425 under scattered buying. At the rise there was increased liquidation and prices declined to Rs. 422 but realised to Rs. 423/4 The market was quiet awaiting fresh developments. Later on there was sudden outburst of buying and prices soared to Rs. 431/8. There was professional support and covering including buying by Mahajan operators and the market was firm. The market advanced to Rs. 432 and finally closed at 5 p.m. as under :—

March	.....	Rs.	430	8 0
May	.....		435	0 0
July	.....		441	8 0

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 4.

On Wednesday, the New York cotton market was quietly steady with irregular price movement. Uncertainty in connection with price parity restricted demand otherwise the market would have given a better account. There were reports that the Department of Agriculture does not intend raising acreage above the present allotment in order to increase cotton oil production. This attracted scattered support but the improvement met long liquidation and hedge selling.

The market opened at a rise of one point with March quoted 19.79 and improved to 19.82 which was the highest level. Later on prices declined to 19.75 on increased selling and the session closed at a net gain of 5 points to a decline of 2 points. Spot cotton prices declined 4 points at 21.45c per lb.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also quiet but steady and closed at a rise of 6 points to a decline of one point Spot cotton prices gained 2 points at 20.43c per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—
New York March highest (10-16 a.m.) ..... 19.82+04
New York March lowest (11-25 a.m.) ..... 19.75—03

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Feb. 3.

March	.....	19.76—02
May	.....	19.52—01
July	.....	19.36—01
October	.....	19.20+04
December	.....	19.17+05
January	.....	19.14+05
Middling Spot	.....	21.45—04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, Feb. 3.

March	.....	20.03+02
May	.....	19.78+01
July	.....	19.62—01
October	.....	19.44+06
December	.....	19.39+06
Middling Spot	.....	20.43+02

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL
New York, Feb. 3.

March	.....	19.78
May	.....	19.53
July	.....	19.36

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Feb. 4.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	F.G.
Jarilla	429	424	419	414
Western	439	434	429	424
Saw-gd. 4 F.	454	449	444	439
Pun/American. 4F. ..	429	434	419	414

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Khandesh Jarilla	+5/15
Berar Jarilla	+15/30
C. P. 1 Jarilla	+40/55
C. P. 2 Jarilla	+25/35
4 F Roller	+10/25
L.S.S. Roller	+90/105
289F. Roller	+140/150
289F. Saw-ginned	+180/200

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Feb. 4.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY. Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yesterday	This year	Last year.
Khandesh	1,750	73,539	46,367
Central India	821	27,384	15,067
Barsi and Nagar	201	13,353	35,570
Hyderabad/Gaorani	77	10,236	5,573
Berar	1,992	107,998	115,697
Central Provinces	.....	8,629	50,947
Total Oomras	4,841	241,239	259,221
Dholeras	184	12,992	18,765
N.-W. Provinces	.....	586	1,021
Rajputana	.....	44	378
Sind-Punjab	4,715	349,688	274,770
Broach	200	23,760	48,620
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	54,131	6,478
Westerns-Northerns	151	16,719	6,137
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	14,596	8,680
Arr. by road to 28th Jan. 43	...c	31,500	67,500

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Groundnuts May :—			
Opening	.....	83	4 0
Highest	.....	83	8 0
Lowest	.....	83	1 0
Closing	.....	83	4 0
Castorseeds May :—			
Opening	.....	84	4 0
Highest	.....	84	8 0
Lowest	.....	84	0 0
Closing	.....	84	8 0
Linseed May	.....	10	5 3

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Feb. 3.

I.C.C. March highest 428 lowest 425 closing 425 1/2
I.C.C. May highest 433 lowest 429 closing 430 1/2
I.C.C. July highest 436 lowest 433 closing 436.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Feb 4.

The local share bazar was quiet to-day with moderate long liquidation and scattered selling. At present the market sentiment is influenced by expectations of Budget proposals at the end of the year There are some operators who look for increased taxation while others do not favour any important change. However the majority opinion is in favour of higher prices as long as the present earnings of our industries continue and money market remains easy However during war times generally prices move within a wider range and particularly at higher levels generally prices move so. Thus the market is subject to quick changes but there being no weak long interest prices cannot tumble down beyond ordinary reactionary levels and at low levels we look for renewed support and when the market is free from budget rumours, there will be decided improvement as war reports are very encouraging.

Tata Steel Defds opened to-day at Rs. 1725 and after improving to Rs 1730 declined to Rs. 1690 and steadied at Rs 1700 Ordinary shares opened at Rs 357 and after touching Rs 353 rallied to Rs. 354. Century Mill shares opened at Rs. 652 and declined to Rs. 644 Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1730 and after declining to Rs. 1705 improved to Rs. 1715 Associated Cement shares were placed at Rs. 206 and Swadeshi Mills were quoted at Rs 581.

Towards the close there was scattered buying and Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 1712/8, Ordinary at Rs. 356/8 and Bombay Dyeings at Rs 1725.

TEXTILE SECTION.

Ahmedabad Advance 447/8; Bharat Mills 83/8; Bom. Dyeing 1725; Cent. India 495; Century 649; Colaba Land 245; Dawn 1150; E. D. Sassoon Ordy 13/7; E. D. Sassoon Defd. 3-8 1/2; Edward Sassoon 337/8; Finlay 330/8; Gokak 353; Hindustan 3750; Ind Bleaching 235; Ind. Manufg. 3610; Indore-Malwa 780; Khatau 392/8; Kohinoor 664; Lakshmi 1210; Madhowji 22; Minerva 182/8; Model Nagpur 320; Madhusudan 490; Meyer Sassoon 176/4; Morarji 880; Mysore xd 196/4; New Great 402; Phoenix 680; Podar Mills 334/6; Sassoon Silk 122; Sholapur 8400; Shri Nivas 397/8; Simplex xd 264; Swan 315; Swadeshi 582; Tata Mills 48; Vishnu 2250; Western India 3300.

INSURANCE SECTION.

Bom. Life 162/8; Empire Life 675; Indust. Mercantile 72; Indust. and Prudent 34; Jupiter 18; New India 61; Oriental 4425; Vulcan 13/1.

HYDRO & ELEC. SECTION

Ahmedabad 191/4; Ajmere 14/4; And. Valley Ordy. 1785; Bom. Tram Ordy. 144; Bom. Suburban 184; Broach 13/8; Karachi 230; Poona 265; Surat 191/4; Surat New Rs. 50/Pd. 70; Tata Hydro Ordy 184; Tata Power Ordy 1670;

BANK SECTION.

Baroda 131/8; Bank of India 160; Central Bank 61/12; Imperial Bank F.P. xd. 1691/4; Imperial P.P. xd 413/12; Reserve 106/4; Union 7/12.

PREF. SHARES.

7 per cent And. Valley 1662/8; 6 per cent Bom. Steam 335; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 79/8; 6 per cent Central India 700; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 19/12; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 153/12; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 2nd 125; 6 per cent Tata I. and S. 1st 293/12; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I. and S. 2nd 140/8; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165/10; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1662/8; 7 per cent Vishnu 775;

DEBENTURES.

4 per cent And. Valley 106; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 210; 4 per cent Tata Power 106; 5 per cent Shol Rs. 64/Pd. 72/8; 6 per cent Mariland Price 113/8.

RAILWAY SECTION.

Ahmedabad Prantej 920; Cent. Province 105; Dhond Baramati 105; Guzerat 103; Hoshiarpur Doab 102; Mandra Bhon 108; Mymensing Rebate 101; Mymensing Gtd. 107; Pachora Jamner 100; Sara Sirajganj 104/8; Sialkot Narowal 115; Sialkot New 48; Upper Sind Light 115/8.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION.

Alembic Chemical 307/8; Alcock Ashdown 010; Asso. Cement xd 207/8; B. B. Petrol 2-5 1/4; Belapur 228; Bom. Burma Old 370; Bom. Burma New 130; Bom Steam 465; Ind. Radio Ordy. 367/8; Ind. Radio Defd. 360/8; Invest. Trust 55; Prem. Const 158; Port Canning 87; Scindia 25/6; Shivrajpur 57; Tata Ordy 356/8; Tata Defd. 1716/4; Tata Chemical 27/14; Tata Oil 77/8; Wimco 310; Burma Corp. 3-4 1/2; B.I.C. Ordy. 6-1; Ind. Copper 2-3 1/2; Ind. Iron 32; Steel Corp. Bengal 23/14; New Vict. Ordy. 7/14.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Tata Ordinary 357; Tata Deferred 1717/8; Indian Iron 31/15; Steel Corpn of Bengal 23/14; Bombay Dyeing 1722/8; Central India 410; Century 648/2; Gokak 352/8; Kohinoor 661/4; Simplex 263; Andhra Valley 1782/8; Tata Hydro 185/10; Tata Power 1675; Associated Cement 206/8; Belapur 227/8; Bombay Burma (old) 365.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 260 28 230 35 230 42 218 49-56 214

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 230 24 190 28 190 35 177 42 180 49-56 180

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 140 Rosita Rs. 138 Country make Rs. 100 Pigiead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 75 per cwt.

SETTLEMENT RATES

Copper sheets Chaitra Rs. 230.
Market tone : Steady.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 3.

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent £68 3/8
Consols 2 1/2 per cent £82 3/4
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961 £107 1/4
War loan 3 1/2 per cent £105 9/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90 .. £115 1/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent £113 11/16
Chartered Bank of I A and China £8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.) £67 1/2
National Bank of India £33 1/8

LONDON WHEAT

London, Feb. 3.

Rozario Santa Fe Feb/March quoted 26/1 1/2
Australian Feb/March quoted 28

Devkaran Nanjee Insurance Co., Ltd.

Devkaran Nanjee Insurance Co Ltd. was registered in August 1941 obtained Certificate in November 1941 and actually started Life business in January, 1942 It has an authorised capital of Rs 20,00,000 issued and subscribed Rs. 10,00,000 and paid up Rs. 5,00,000. The first report of the Directors which shows a good beginning reads as under :—

During the year 288 Proposals were received for assurance amounting to Rs. 13,08,251 Out of these, 224 Proposals resulted into Policies amounting to Rs. 11,29,251 and the remaining were either declined postponed or are awaiting completion. The premium income of the Company in the year came to Rs. 71,212-1-0 and there was no intimation for any claim in the first year of its existence.

The Company is about to start Fire Insurance Department. The additional Deposit of Rupees One Lakh required under the Insurance Act for Fire has been made and the Company has applied for Membership of the Bombay Fire Insurance Association. The Directors also contemplate opening Motor Insurance Department.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH.
New York, Feb. 4.

Previous closing	19.76
To-day's opening	19.74
Difference	—.02
To-day's colsing	
Difference	

CROSS RATES
T T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Feb. 4.

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T. T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Feb. 4.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2	sellers:	4.03 1/2
buyers.			
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2	sellers:	4.03 1/2
buyers.			
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2	sellers:	4.03 1/2
buyers			

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD
London, Feb. 4.

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb. 4.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES
London, Feb. 4.

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 31/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 ... 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 ... 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Feb. 4.

General Motors (dol 46 1/2) dol 46 1/4
Anaconda Copper (dol 26 3/4) unquoted
U. S. Steel Common (dol 50 1/8) dol 50 1/8
U. S. Steel Preference (dol 113 7/8) unquoted.

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS
London, Feb. 4.

Castorseeds Bombay February/March (£35) £35 quoted
Linseed Calcutta February/March (£26) £26 quoted
Linseed La Plata February/March unquoted
Groundnut Coromandal February/March East Coast Indian shipment (£30 1/2 quoted) £30 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£31 1/2) £31 1/2 quoted

LONDON METALS
London, Feb. 4.

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25 £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 4.

The London Stock Exchange was steady to-day.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0, Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02 up to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York. London spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d. and New York spot silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents.

The local market was very steady today with review buying. It appears that the technical situation of the market is improving. Quotations were as under :—

GOLD.

Ready	.....	Rs. 65	7 0
May	.....	65	3 0
Sovereigns	.....	47	8 0

SILVER.

Ready	.....	100	4 0
May	.....	99	6 0

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb. 3.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD.
London, Feb. 3.

London Gold Fine per onuce oz. £8-8-0

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, Feb. 4.

Linseed Feb	.....	0	4 6
Groundnuts May	.....	7	8 0
Castorseeds May	.....	8	8 0
Silver Maha	.....	2	12 0
Gold Maha	.....	1	8 0

HAPUR QUOTATIONS

Hapur, Feb. 4.

Cotton ready 23; March 23/4; Maha 24/1; quiet. Cottonseed Fagan 6/6/3; Rapseeds Maha 7/14/6; Jeth 8/6; unsteady. Gram 5; Bajra 5 1/2; Maize 6 1/2; Jowar 6 1/2; Gur ready 7/6; Grains quieter.

Yarn Market Steady

Bombay, Feb. 3.

As anticipated in our last report, the Yarn Market has remained steady throughout the whole past week, although in the latter part of the week prices declined to some extent by way of reaction and also due to rumours of peace offers from Germany, the undertone has continued to remain firm. At the close the outlook has again been more cheerful. The important event during the week has been the meeting between the Commerce Member of the Government of India and the Millowners of Bombay and various parts of the country, to finally settle the Standard Cloth arrangement. It has been decided after full discussions between both the sides that about 60 per cent of the cloth production by the Mills should be set aside for the Supply Department as well as for Standard Cloth and that the remaining 40 per cent may be utilised for Trade as well as for Export Markets. It is further reported that at present for the first quarter from February to April 1943, the Millowners will produce Standard Cloth to the extent of about fifty million yards and will increase production of this kind of cloth after definite indents have been received from various quarters. The most important question however is the question of distribution of Standard Cloth and although many proposals have been made in this connection, it remains to be seen how far the scheme of efficient distribution will be brought into effect. So far neither on the Cloth Market nor on the Yarn Market there has been any effect of this Standard Cloth Scheme but opinions differ a great deal regarding probable effect of this Scheme both on the prices of yarns as well on the prices of cloths. Latest reports go to show that the prices of cloth continue to remain steady so far in spite of the export quotas having been seriously curtailed. As regards yarns, Exports have been very restricted mostly due to lack of shipping space and also due to several difficulties regarding quotas and licences. On the whole the future course of the market continues to remain uncertain.

Defence Loan

NEW DELHI, Feb. 4.

During January nearly 6 1/2 crores were invested in the Government of Indias three per cent defence loan, and somewhat over 4 1/2 crores in rupee counterparts says a press note.

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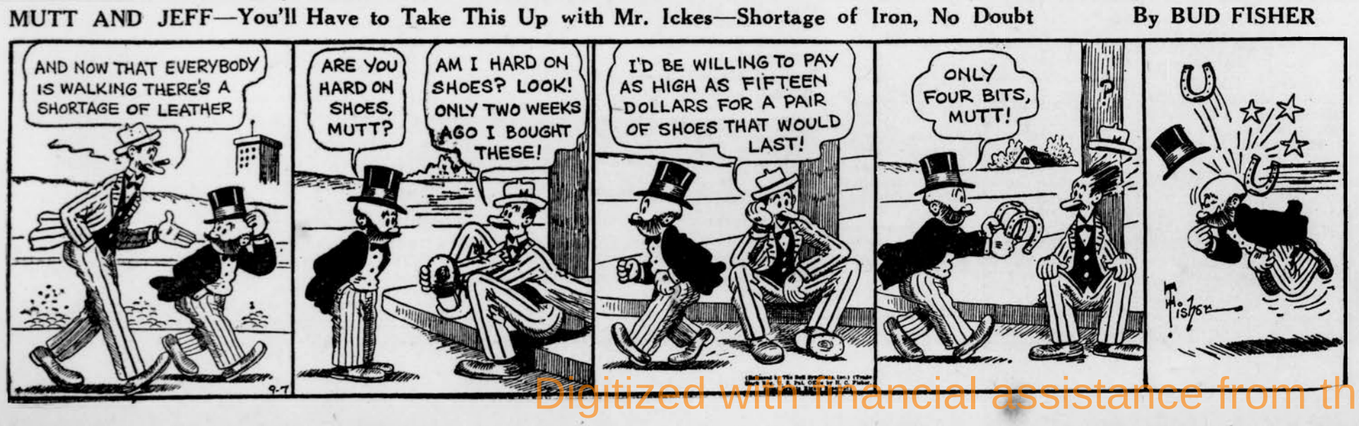
MUTT AND JEFF—You'll Have to Take This Up with Mr. Ickes—Shortage of Iron, No Doubt By BUD FISHER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ARE YOU HARD ON SHOES, MUTT?
AM I HARD ON SHOES? LOOK! ONLY TWO WEEKS AGO I BOUGHT THESE!
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ONLY FOUR BITS, MUTT!

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The Half-Column By "Dim"

QUESTION 1 for the Turf Club Committee:

(a) There was a rule of long standing that only Stewards, Members of the Committee and owners, trainers and jockeys of a horse running in the race were allowed to enter the paddock before that race. This rule has been altered for the last two years by the addition of the words: "...and such other persons as may be permitted by the Stewards." Who are the persons in whose favour this exception has been made?

(I must add that if any answers are forthcoming to this series of questions they will be published in the Half Column with great pleasure. Also if any prominent racing man has any views to express on this subject which is engaging the attention of a wide public, they will be published, space permitting).

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Says a recent U. S. advertisement: "We are fighting against Asia for the Japanese". That is very creditable, but what are you fighting for? Are you fighting for Asia for the Asiatics or for Asia for the British or Asia for the Americans? Let us be POSITIVE about our war aims.

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I have just heard the story of how from a recent campaign in the Middle East not a single Indian returned "unwounded". It made my heart fill with pride because it showed that our men fight till they can fight no more. Yet these are the same men who can have no admittance in the European Gymkhana!! It's sickening.

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In order to cope with the shortage of paper, an invitation was sent out the other day on a Swadeshi silk handkerchief. Sultan Chinoy gave me one of these, because I didn't believe it was possible. In a way this is an old habit revived. Victorian gentlemen used to jot down telephone numbers on white-cuffs of their starched shirts.

Spencer Tracy and Hedy Lamarr in 'Tortilla Flat' at Metro.

"Tortilla Flat" At Metro

Millions have chuckled, laughed and howled with the gay lovable and entirely charming paisanos of John Steinbeck's "Tortilla Flat." Millions more, who will meet these truly wonderful people for the first time in the screen, are assured of the most unusual entertainment treat ever filmed in this most delightful and different of stories.

"International Squadron" At Aurora

Warner Bros'. "International Squadron" at Aurora this week, starring Ronald Reagan and Olympe Bradna, is an exciting adventure story of the R. A. F.'s most colourful squadron of that name and consisting of fliers from all over the world who nightly battle the 'Luftwaffe' in the skies to fight for what they believe to be the right.

Programme At Paradise

Universal's "The Spoilers" featuring Marlene Dietrich, Randolp Scott and John Wayne is released this week at Paradise (Mahim) from Friday 5th to Monday 8th.

From Tuesday 9th to Thursday 11th Universal's "The Mystery of Mary Roget" featuring Marie Montez and Patric Knowles will be shown.

"ONE DAY IN SOVIET RUSSIA" AT CAPITOL

Fresh from an enthusiastic reception by London and New York audiences, "A Day In Soviet Russia", starring Quentin Reynolds as author and narrator of the film's English commentary, opens today Friday at the Capitol Theatre.

The film, produced by the Central Studio of Documentary Films at Moscow, portrays an average 24-hour period in the life of the country so large that the sun never sets on it. It is being presented in this country by Messrs. M. B. Billimoria & Son, Films Corporation and Artkino Pictures, Inc. On an appointed day, Soyuskinokhronika, Soviet Newsreel Trust, stationed 97 Cameramen in widely separated parts of the Soviet Union, from the Bering Straights only 17 miles from Alaska, to Leningrad more than 5,000 miles to the East, and from the Kamchatka Peninsula in Arctic Siberia to the semi-tropical regions of Soviet Asia Minor. Each cameraman chose the subject closest to his heart, and pressed the release on his camera.

Produced in an effort to convey the geographic vastness of the Soviet Union and the gigantic activity of its 193,000,000 inhabitants, "A Day In Soviet Russia" is the most ambitious and one of the most comprehensive Soviet documentaries ever made.

"The Palm Beach Story" At Regal

"The Palm Reach Story" is all out for comedy. It never once starts to become serious. Whatever lesson there is in the picture is "Ha Ha." It gives Claudette Colbert an entire slapstick comedy for the first time. The first time she did slapstick was in that seasickness scene for "Skylark", and we know she can do it superbly.

"They Flew Alone" At Excelsior

Based upon the colourful, imaginative and emotional lives of Amy Johnson and Jim Mollison, outstanding figures in the field of civil aviation, and with Anna Neagle and Robert Newton recreating these two famous people on the screen, "They Flew Alone" comes to the Excelsior Theatre as the year's dramatic masterpiece.

"Lady Hamilton" At Palace

Alexander Korda's "Lady Hamilton", starring Vivien Leigh and Laurence Olivier, is at The Palace this week. Produced on a lavish scale, this picture vividly brings to the screen one of the greatest romances of all time, the love story of Lady Hamilton and Lord Nelson.

Claudette Colbert and Rudy Valley in 'The Palm Beach Story' at Regal.

"United We Stand" At Eros

Over 25 years in filming "United We Stand" 20th Century-Fox's glorious picturization of all the world events is coming to the Eros shortly.

Shown in bold relief against the early post-World-War I period are the striking, the action shots of the Spanish revolution, the invasion of Ethiopia, the over-running of Norway, Hitler's gradual rise, and many other historic scenes are also included.

"Two Gun Cupid" At Lighthouse

Wallace Beery as Pancho Lopez a whimsical bandit, comes to the Light House (Matunga), in his most picturesque characterization in M. G. M.'s "Two Gun Cupid." Teamed with Lionel Barrymore he presents a menacing, but still kindly outlaw a veritable Robin Hood of the cattle ranges.

"To Be Or Not To Be" Held Over At New Empire

"To Be or Not To Be" a fine comedy directed by Ernst Lubitsch is continued for another week at New Empire.

"Rich Man! Poor Girl" At Strand

When a girl's in love with a millionaire, and her family is imbued with an overbearing consciousness of the importance of the great middle class, there's bound to be Comedy galore. "Rich Man Poor Girl" featuring Robert Young Lew Ayres and Ruth Hussey, is full of complications that are expected to arise in such a situation.

Colville On His Task

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Amery speaking at a luncheon on Tuesday in honour of Col. John Colville, Governor Designate of Bombay said "A Governor going out now for a five year spell of office can, in the present circumstances hope—dare I say it—that the major part of his term of office will be spent in tasks of peaceful reconstruction."

Col Colville said: "the political troubles in India have blinded the minds of most people in this country to the massive war effort which India is making. They see the dust of political strife, but they do not see the great armies marching through it to our help—the great armies of many fronts the growing power of the Royal Indian Navy, the contribution in the air and the contribution in the production of the sinews of war on a great and noble scale."

Major General Sir Fredric Sykes chairman of the Royal Empire Society, said he was still an optimist with regard to India 'I believe, he said 'we shall see the day come when those who are now the most critical will say that our present policy has right and merits on its side.' Sir Frederick Sykes looked forward to fruitful co-operation between Britain and India in Asia especially to the good results of understanding and co-operation now growing up between India and China which he had long desired.

Col. Colville enlivened a typically modest speech by telling how he had to seek release from military duties to accept his new post.

"After a long interval" he said "I have received intimation from the war office that I was 'relegated' to unemployment but all Government property must be removed from my quarters before my departure."

Col. Colville concluded that his experience of the British spirit under stress of war would be a valuable asset to take to India.—Reuter.

INDIANS WELL FITTED FOR NAVAL CAREER

FLAG OFFICER COMMANDING STRESSES NEED FOR MORE TRAINING DEPOTS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

At a Press Conference held in the Commodore's office Mint Road at noon today Vice Admiral Sir Herbert Fitzherbert the Flag Officer Commanding the Royal Indian Navy expressed the view that Indians were well-fitted for a naval career.

With proper training, continued the Admiral, India could produce some of the best and most highly efficient naval officers.

He further pointed out that many Indians were already holding key positions in the Royal Indian Navy.

In this connection he referred to the incident at the Mayu River, where he said, the part played by the officers and men of the Indian Navy was very laudable.

Sir Herbert further revealed that notwithstanding the steady progress of the R.I.N he wanted Government sanction for opening new training depots. These were he said, for meeting increased requirements of the navy.

Concluding Sir Herbert pointed out that if India wanted to maintain her maritime trade, it was highly essential that she should have an efficient mercantile marine.

ELEVEN ARRESTED PERSONS RELEASED

LONDON, Feb 3.

Eleven persons arrested in Algiers on December 29 have been freed according to reliable information.

Two have been ordered to remain in their homes and the remainder were released unconditionally. The persons arrested on January 11 are still detained.

CHURCHILL-INEUNU MEETING SIGNIFICANT

ZURICH, Feb. 4.

The "Basle National Zeitung" commenting on the Churchill-Ineunu meeting said, "Its significance cannot be over-estimated. If President Ineunu, whose military understanding is well known, decided to welcome such demonstrations then it was because very far reaching motives of Turkish policy were latent behind the mission.—Reuter.

SUDETAN GERMANS' LEADER IN JAIL?

CALCUTTA, Feb. 4.

The leader of the Sudetan Germans, Konrad Henlein, has been imprisoned by Hitler in Germany, according to information received in Calcutta from the Czechoslovak Government in London. Henlein shares his cell with Dr. Walter Darre ousted German Minister of Agriculture.

Hitler's most important tool in bringing about the Munich crisis and the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, Henlein organised the revolt of the Nazi Germans in that country. He founded the Sudetan German Party, which started as a party opposing by legal means the alleged oppression of Germans in Czechoslovakia and later inaugurated the revolutionary movement appealing for outside help from Hitler against Czechoslovakia. This party was supported by Hitler to serve him as a pretext for meddling in Czechoslovak internal affairs.—A. P.

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CHURCHGATE TRAGEDY INQUIRY FINDINGS

Criminal Cases Likely Against Those Responsible

BOMBAY, Thursday.

From The Director Of Information

In July, 1942, the Government of Bombay appointed Mr. B. J. Wadia, a Retired Judge of the Bombay High Court, to inquire into and report on (1) the causes of the collapse of a five-storeyed building under construction in the Back Bay Reclamation area, Bombay; (2) the fixing of the responsibility for the collapse; and (3) the measures to be taken to prevent the recurrence of such mishaps.

Dr. H. J. Nichols, Construction Engineer of the B. B. & C. I. Railway, and Prof. J. A. Taraporevala, of the Engineering College, Poona, were associated with Mr. Wadia as Assessors, and Mr. C. G. Kale, Deputy Secretary, Public Works Department, acted as Secretary. The report of the Inquiry has now been submitted and is published to-day.

The inquiry has shown that the three principal and contributory causes for the sudden and precipitate collapse of the building were bad material, bad workmanship or method of construction, and bad design.

THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT CONCERNED WITH THE CIVIL LIABILITY OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HOUSE COLLAPSE, BUT POLICE INVESTIGATION WITH A VIEW TO PROSECUTING THEM FOR ACTS OR OMISSIONS PUNISHABLE UNDER THE CRIMINAL LAW IS PROCEEDING.

The recommendations contained in the report for preventing the recurrence of such mishaps are under the consideration of the Government and will, where practicable and acceptable, be implemented without avoidable delay, says a communique from Director of Information.

The Government desires to express its appreciation and thanks to Mr. Wadia for his able and lucid report and to the Assessors and the Secretary for assisting him throughout.

The Government also desires to express its deep sympathy with the victims of the house collapse and their relatives.

SAVARKAR'S REQUEST TO JAIPUR DARBAR

BOMBAY, Feb. 4.

Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, has sent the following telegram to His Highness the Maharaja of Jaipur in connection with the reported fast unto death of Mr. Ram Chandra Sharma demanding that Hindi should be declared as a State language of Jaipur, as 90 per cent of the population in the State speak Hindi:

"Pray announce immediately Hindi with Nagri script as the State language of Jaipur Raj. As a Hindu Prince, it is a point of honour to the Maharaja himself. The loyalty of the Hindu Mahasabha to the Hindu States is above suspicion and a graceful announcement granting this just demand can only cement it more".—United Press.

Prizes For Arrest Of Hur Leaders

KARACHI, Feb. 4.

Rewards ranging from Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 2,000 are announced in to-day's Sind Government "Gazette" for the arrest of four persons described as "absconding Hur leaders".—A. P.

On learning the news about the death of His Highness Maharaja Shri Gangasinhji of Bikaner all the offices and school in the Sant State were ordered to be closed, and a complete hartal for two days was declared to mourn his loss.

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